Application No. 10/087,955 Reply to Office Action of July 13, 2006

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-12 and 14 are pending in this application. Claims 1-12 and 14 are allowed, but where objected to for informalities. Prosecution on the merits has also been closed in accordance with practice under Ex Parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication of the allowance of claims 1-12 and 14.

In reply to the objection to claims 1-12 and 14, those claims are amended as suggested in paragraph 1 of the Office Action. The claim amendments are believed to address all the objections thereto.

As all issues are addressed by the present response, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and it is hereby respectfully requested that this case be passed to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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